

CITY OF VANCOUVERSPECIAL COUNCIL - MAY 23, 1979

A Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Vancouver was held on Wednesday, May 23, 1979, at approximately 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, third floor, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Volrich, Chairman
Aldermen Bellamy, Boyce, Ford, Harcourt,
Little, Marzari, Puil and Rankin

ABSENT: Alderman Gerard (Leave of Absence)
Alderman Kennedy

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL: M. Kinsella

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

A. City of Vancouver Debenture Issue
May 18, 1979

Council had for information a City Manager's Report dated May 18, 1979, in which the Director of Finance reported as follows:

"On May 17, 1979, in accordance with the authority approved by Council on May 15, 1979, the City sold \$20 million of City of Vancouver serial and sinking fund debentures to the underwriting syndicate headed by our fiscal agents, A. E. Ames & Co. Limited who in turn placed the bonds in the Canadian market.

The debentures consisted of \$10 million of one-to-ten-year serial debentures carrying a coupon of 10½%, sold in the market at par, and \$10 million of twenty year sinking fund debentures carrying a 10-3/8% coupon also sold at par. The issue was successful.

Proceeds of the debenture issues will be used for sewer and pollution control, waterworks, and streets projects, all in accordance with the approved capital programs of the City.

The appropriate debenture bylaws are presented to Council this day by the Director of Legal Services for approval."

MOVED by Ald. Puil,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT the City Manager's Report dated May 18, 1979, on City of Vancouver Debenture Issue, be received for information.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BY-LAWS

1. BY-LAW TO CONTRACT A DEBT BY THE ISSUE AND SALE OF SERIAL DEBENTURES IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$10,000,000 IN LAWFUL MONEY OF CANADA FOR THE OBJECTS SET OUT IN SCHEDULE "C"

MOVED by Ald. Puil,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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BY-LAWS (Cont'd)

By-law to contract a debt by the issue and sale of serial debentures in the aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000 in lawful money of Canada for the objects set out in schedule "C" (Cont'd)

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendment.

There being no amendments, it was

MOVED by Ald. Puil,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. BY-LAW TO CONTRACT A DEBT BY THE ISSUE AND SALE OF SINKING FUND DEBENTURES IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$10,000,000 IN LAWFUL MONEY OF CANADA FOR THE OBJECTS SET OUT IN SCHEDULE "B"

MOVED by Ald. Puil,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT the By-law be introduced and read a first time.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The By-law was read a first time and the Presiding Officer declared the By-law open for discussion and amendment.

There being no amendments, it was

MOVED by Ald. Puil,
SECONDED by Ald. Little,

THAT the By-law be given second and third readings and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign and seal the By-law.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Ald. Boyce,
SECONDED by Ald. Puil,

THAT this Council resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, Mayor Volrich in the Chair.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS (Cont'd)

- B. Carbaryl Spraying in Kitsilano
May 17, 1979

Council on May 15, 1979, resolved:

1. That, pending the proposed special meeting of Council, the City Manager be authorized, in consultation with involved Government officials and citizens, to take any necessary interim measures to control the gypsy moth infestation in Kitsilano.

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CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS (Cont'd)

Carbaryl Spraying in Kitsilano
May 17, 1979 (Cont'd)

2. Further that City Council request from the B.C. Ministry of Agriculture:

- a) A \$5,000 matching grant,
- b) Moving the information trailer back to Kits Park, to act as a coordinating, information, research, and action headquarters.

Council further deferred the final decision on Carbaryl spraying of the Kitsilano area pending a special meeting of Council to which relevant officials from all levels of government would be invited to discuss alternate methods of controlling the investation.

Before Council for information was a City Manager's Report dated May 17, 1979, in which the City Manager reported the results of discussions held and actions planned towards control of the gypsy moth infestation in Kitsilano.

The City Manager spoke to his report and reviewed it for Council's information. The Mayor advised that since the last meeting of Council he had received a delegation from the B.C. Fruit Growers' Association and the B.C. Federation of Agriculture. These groups expressed their fears of the consequences to the fruit industry in the Province if eradication or control of the gypsy moth is not effected.

Dr. G. Fleischman, Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Operations - Agriculture Canada; and Dr. Marvin Weindrob, Entymologist with the Department of Agriculture, answered questions from Council and explained the program of development of biological control methods currently underway at U.B.C. However, it was explained that until such time as the results of a field study are available it is not possible to fully evaluate the efficacy of biological methods in the control of the gypsy moth.

Representatives of the B.C. Federation of Agriculture addressed Council and also answered questions.

MOVED by Ald. Little,

THAT Council request the Federal Department of Agriculture to carry out its original program of compulsory spraying of the area in Kitsilano invested with the gypsy moth.

- LOST

(Aldermen Bellamy, Ford, Harcourt, Marzari, Rankin and the Mayor opposed.)

MOVED by Ald. Harcourt,

THAT the following program of control of the gypsy moth infestation in Kitsilano, outlined by the City Manager in his report dated May 17, 1979, be implemented:

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CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS (Cont'd)

Carbaryl Spraying in Kitsilano
May 17, 1979 (Cont'd)

" Information

- a) An information sheet will be distributed in the neighbourhood on the latest status, indicating the trailer and a phone number where more advice can be obtained.
- b) The trailer will also serve a contact point for the Agriculture Canada field workers. Some of the six students in Public Health who are commencing their training with the City on June 1st can be made available to assist Canada Agriculture field workers for one or two weeks.

Voluntary Carbaryl Spraying

- c) Field workers will be calling on all houses in a given block during the day and in the evenings, and will seek voluntary consent to carbaryl spraying, but outlining also alternatives if they can not get such consent.
- d) In the most important blocks, near the known infestation, if they get over 80% consent, then a contractor to Agriculture Canada will be asked to spray the consenting properties.
- e) Before such spraying, all neighbours will be notified and advised of precautions to take.
- f) A City Health Inspector will be present at all times to observe and enforce safety precautions.
- g) Such spraying would likely be carried out 2 or 3 times between now and late June.
- h) The blocks selected would start with those near the known infestation, and work out from there. The total might well be limited to only about 25 blocks.
- i) Boulevard trees will be sprayed only as and when neighbouring consenting properties are sprayed.

Monitoring

- j) An intense monitoring programs will be set up and staffed by Agriculture Canada, particularly on high-risk properties which have not been sprayed. Citizen involvement will be solicited in identifying insects in their back-yard. The shaking of trees by volunteers to dislodge the occasional insect is not a good idea.
- k) The trailer will have samples of larvæ to look at and will help identify insects.

Neighbourhood Housekeeping

- l) All residents will be urged not to trim trees, shrubs, and hedges until July 1st.
- m) Such trimmings, or wooden boards lying on the ground, should not be removed from yards at this time. The City will be asked to arrange special pick-ups of such material in July, for immediate burial.
- n) Grass cuttings at this time are a minimal hazard and can be composted or put in plastic bags for removal by regular garbage pickup."

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

In response to a request from a member of Council that the Carbaryl and insecticide soap spraying programs be immediately co-ordinated, the Mayor directed the City Manager to investigate this and implement if possible.

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RISE FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOVED by Ald. Puil,
THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

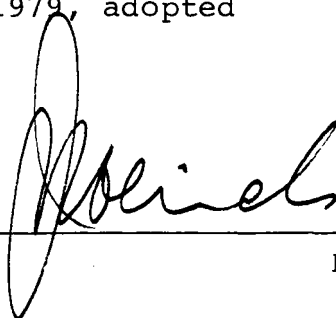
MOVED by Ald. Rankin,
SECONDED by Ald. Puil,
THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

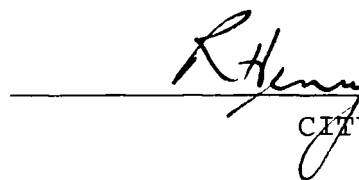
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The Council adjourned at approximately 3:25 p.m.

The foregoing are Minutes of the Special
Council Meeting of May 23, 1979, adopted
by Council on May 29, 1979.



MAYOR



CITY CLERK

MANAGER'S REPORT

May 18, 1979

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TO: Vancouver City Council
SUBJECT: City of Vancouver Debenture Issue
CLASSIFICATION: INFORMATION

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The City Manager submits the above report of the Director of Finance to Council for INFORMATION.

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Manager's Report

DATE: May 17th, 1979

TO: Vancouver City Council
SUBJECT: Carbaryl Spraying in Kitsilano
CLASSIFICATION: Information

The City Manager reports as follows:

On May 15, 1979, Council resolved:

"THAT City Council match Environment Canada's \$5,000 allocation.

FURTHER THAT City Council request from the B.C. Ministry of Agriculture:

- a) A \$5,000 matching grant,
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THAT Council defer a final decision on carbaryl spraying of the Kitsilano area pending a special meeting of Council to be held on or before May 22, 1979 to which relevant officials from all levels of government be invited to discuss alternate methods of controlling the infestation.

THAT, pending the proposed special meeting of Council, the City Manager be authorized, in consultation with involved Government officials and citizens, to take any necessary interim measures to control the gypsy moth infestation in Kitsilano."

This is to report to that special Council meeting developments on the various points.

- 1) The B.C. Department of Agriculture has agreed to restore the trailer to Kits Park, and to staff it, - to serve as a community information centre and to provide assistance with identification of the moths.
- 2) The Department has also indicated that they would match the \$5,000 contribution from Environment Canada and from the City, so that \$15,000 is now available for miscellaneous expenses related to information and community action activities, above the existing budgets in the various government agencies.
- 3) I have taken the Council directions as a mandate to meet with officials of all other agencies to discuss the present status and options open to us. We will try to carry out a program that has a reasonable chance of success, within the following limitations:-
 - a) Total area sprayed to be kept to a minimum.
 - b) No spraying of private properties without consent of the residents.
 - c) Information given out should be objective and balanced.

In the course of these discussions, we have gained new understandings of the present status, which we would like to share with members of Council and with the public, as attached as an Appendix. Officials from the various agencies will be present to speak further to this information, and to answer questions.

4) Actions planned are as follows:-

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